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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
SHIRAKASHI, et al.

Application No.: 10/665,015
Filed: September 22, 2003

Customer Number: 20277
Confirmation Number: 5843
Group Art Unit: 3723
Examiner: McDonald, Shantese L.

For: METHOD FOR POLISHING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER AND POLISHING PAD FOR THE SAME
Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

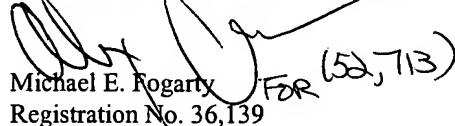
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Total Claims	6	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

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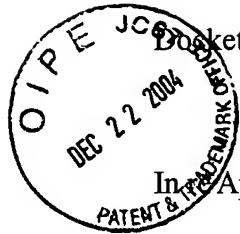
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire December 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: